

CRYING GAZZA DOLL INSIDE!

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Are you ready
for 1992? How

EUROPEAN

are YOU?

Find out on page 18

Yes indeed!
BIG'

is 'STARK' bollock naked!

Porno action on page 19!

Top TV game show

**EXPOSED** 

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## BAN this FILTH

We put stop to sick 'adult' mag



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## Give us a break

George George Michael has already sold over 15 million copies of his first solo album, and has made so much money that he could retire tomorrow and never work again. So why doesn't he?

Mr. I. Toadflax. Chickweed Herts

Who said the Scots are mean? My husband and I have always given to charity, helped people in need and been generous with whatever money we've had. Mind you, we're Welsh. Mrs. Gwyneth Whales,

Gwynedd, Wales

## What a load o

I do get sick of hearing Animal Rights campaigners complaining about bullfighting. They really don't know what they're talking about. On our recent holiday in Spain my husband and I went to a bullfight, and I can assure these people that the bull thoroughly enjoyed it-self, running and frolicking around the ring to the cheers of the crowd

My two children, aged 6 and 8, also had a marvellous time, and I would not

hesitate to take them again. Mrs. H. Cloudberry.

Dodder, Kent

## LetterBocks K

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I am one of Churchill's famous 'few' who took part in the Battle of Britain and who subsequently have done nothing else but harp on and on and on about the fact. The current Fiftieth An-niversary of the battle provides me with an ideal opportunity to go on about it even more, and hopefully make the young people of today feel guilty and inadequate.



one occasion squadron was scrambled to intercept a Jerry raiding party over the South coast. We were flying at about 2,000 feet when suddenly a voice cried out in my headset: "Bandits at 2 o'clock".

Wing Com. 'Buffy' Beaumont. 266 Squadron (Retd.), c/o Chatham Mental Hospital

Etc. etc. etc.

I cannot believe the bad luck that has plagued throughout my adult life. Two years ago my wife broke her arm in an accident at work, and to top it all, last week our phone bill was £10 more than expected. I really don't know what I've done to deserve this. Mr. M. Foster,

Eastleigh, Hants.

#### If you want to whine, then drop us a line Tell us your gripe and we'll print it with type

Because my house backs onto a golf course, balls often land in my garden. I now have three golf balls. C Flower.

Ilkeston

#### I think **British Rail** are a load

of crap

When visiting an elderly friend in Rotherham last week I decided to follow the advice of British Rail's ad-vertising campaign and 'let the train take the strain'. I should have known better! To begin with my train pulled into the station four days late, and proceeded to collide with another train already standing at the platform, killing several people. When I eventually found my seat, which I had reserved, it had been double booked and I had to share it with two drunken Scotsmen, six squaddies. a pregnant mother and her screaming baby, all of whom were wearing Sony Walkmans and were singing along to Dire Straits.

Litter, beer cans, cigarette ends and human excrement were strewn across the floor. When I complained to the guard that my seat was on fire he punched me in the face and stole my handbag. Later, a ticket inspector who spoke no English knocked me to the floor, stamped on my fingers then stabbed me with a breadknife. Due to a signalling failure we were asked to leave the train and walk ten miles through six feet of snow, eventually arriving at Rotherham six

weeks late. By this time I had lost so much weight my friend didn't recognise me. and I had to spend the next two months in hospital suffering from malnutrition, rabies and diphtheria. And the cost of my ticket?

Sixteen thousand pounds.

Mrs. Cowslip. Doncaster

\*Are vou a stupid old lady who's got nothing better to do than write letters complaining about things? Send your moans to us at our Letterbox address. There's a free waterproof underblanket for the best letter we receive. Remember to mark your en-velope 'Senile Ramblings'.

## The old ways were the best

When my two young granchildren arrived for holiday recently I was disgusted to find them eating takeaway food, watching TV all day and playing with new 'computer' games. I soon straightened them out by confiscating their shoes and sending them out to play in the street all day with just a ball and a hoop. In the evenings I refused to let them watch TV, and gave them nothing to

By the end of their stay they had enjoyed themselves so much they didn't want to go home. Unfortunately one of them died of consumption, but it just goes to show - the old ways are the best. Mrs. Ragwort

Oxford











Sincere thanks to all my relatives, friends and neighbours who helped me take my washing off the line during last Thursday's sudden shower. I re-washed it immediately

and hung it out the following day. Everything is now dried and ironed.

M. Skelly, Buckinghamshire

In response to Mr. Goldson's letter, Viz 42, in which he claims to be a "pretty hard case", is he taking the piss or what? There aren't any hard cases in Hampshire.

I'm a hard case from Newcastle, and I'd be quite happy to go down to Mr. Goldson's local boozer and kick his head in in front of his bird.

G. McMarn, Newcastle Why don't the airline companies fit machine guns which fire ping pong balls full of paint or flour to the wings of their aeroplanes. Then, when several planes are circling above an airport in a 'stack' waiting for permission to land, the pilots could indulge in mock 'dog fights' such as were seen and enjoyed by so many people during the Battle of Britain. Not only would this provide free entertainment for the public, it would also give holidaymakers, stranded in departure lounges. something to watch while they await their flight call. Perhaps when the planes are

allowed to land, the pilot could release a smoke bomb, giving spectators the impression that he has been 'shot down'.

Mrs. Dolly Bindweed,

Richmond

# W OP TRYDD

ALWAYS keep a pound of lard in your pocket. If you get your head stuck in railings you can grease your ears and slide out.

Kate Emblen

Kate Emblen (22 years old), Uxbridge

MAKE the postman think you've had a nose bleed by opening the door with tomato ketchup smeared on your top lip.

Patrick Thistle, Partick Thistle

RE-LIVE your sunny beach holiday by putting sandpaper insoles into your slippers and wandering around the house in your underwear. David Inch, Chester-le-Street

SAVE money. Instead of buying a Big Country single, simply listen to the theme

tune from 'Z Cars'.

P. Goss, Basildon

MAKE the postman think you have a dental abcess by opening the door with a hard boiled egg secreted in your cheek.

Patrick Thistle, Partick Thistle

CONVINCE friends that you have become a member of the Socialist Workers' Party by standing on street corners and ranting away on subjects about which you know nothing, and never washing. Karl Lyall,

Carlisle

DON'T change your trousers simply because the pockets are full. Add extra pockets by suspending old socks from the belt loops.

V. Woodsford

Nottingham

USE the 'five items or less' checkout desk at your local supermarket no matter how many items you have got. Simply bring a group of friends to the shop with you, and divide the contents of your trolley amongst them.

T. Parsnip, Bolhamchestertonpoolwood

MAKE the postman think you have been sick by opening the door with diced carrots and rice pudding and parmesan cheese smeared on your shirt front.

Patrick Thistle, Partick Thistle

FOOL other drivers into thinking you have an expensive car phone by holding your TV or video remote control up to your ear and mounting the kerb occasionally.

Mike Penny, Coventry

# **BAN THIS**

## FILLIFIA

Student Unions throughout Britain are joining forces in a bid to BAN a best selling adult comic.
For many bright, politically

and socially aware students feel that the bi-monthly chuckle mag 'Viz' is: \* SEXIST – It appeals

- mostly to males and contains one character entitled 'Sid Sexist'.

  \* RACIST It
- frequently attacks the Germans and the French. And the Italians.

  \* OFFENSIVE Its pages are peppered with four letter words too

offensive to print in a

family newspaper. Words

like 'fuck' and 'cunt'.

Nigel Wankshaft, President of the Student's Union at Doncaster University put forward a motion to have sales of the comic banned from the student union shop. But the motion had to be abandoned after only Nigel and two lesbians turned up for the meeting.

#### BRIDGES

"I think it's quite appalling," said Nigel, 20, who is in the second year of a Geography degree course. "Viz routing the properties of the



Instead of working, Nigel, who is also a keen member of the Debating Society, plans to take a year off at the end of his course, grow half a stupid bum fluff beard and travel around Europe by train, picking grapes and wearing flip flops.

### COURAGEOUS We wholeheartedly support

the campaign to have Viz banned from Student Union shops throughout Britain. And we applaud the courageous stand being made by concerned students at Universities throughout the UK.

#### CAIVIFAIGI

If you're a student, here's your chance to add your weight to our campaign. Simply fill in the coupon below and send it to your Student Union shop.

on

I'm all in favour of free speech and I oppose any form of censorship, like you get in South America, but I don't agree with Viz and I think it should be banned so that people less intelligent than me can't read it (unless of course they walk fifty yards to the nearest newsagents).

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SEXIST RACIST OVER PRICED CHILDISH

OFFENSIVE NOT AS FUNNY AS IT USED TO BE
(Tick whichever apply)

So please don't sell	it.
Signed	

Course Year P.S. I don't like Benny Hill either.

Haircut \_\_\_\_































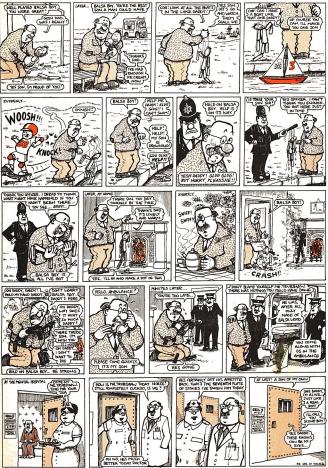














# O NEWS IS

BBC bosses are set to SCRAP the popular long running series 'The Nine O'Clock News' - because of outrageous cash demands by newscaster Martyn Lewis. Angry producers have been

forced to end the popular series, which has run for decades, because they can not cope with senior news reader Lewis's phenomenal wage demands.

#### LASHED

And other newscasters -among them Moira Stewart - wept when they heard the news. And they lashed out at Lewis, who was head hunted from ITV in order to spearhead the BBC's top news show. One fumed: "He's forcing us all out of a job, and we're

#### bloody mad about it.' LAVISH

Lewis's astonishing contract - offered to tempt him away from News At Ten - is thought to be the most lavish in the history of TV newscasting, netting the straight faced anchor man an amazing £10 MILLION a year. It includes:

\* £50,000 per show.

\* Hefty bonus payments of up to £100,000 per news bulletin, such as during the Gulf Crisis. \* A 'signing on' fee thought to be in the

region of a million pounds. \* Enormous lump sum

payments for any ideas or news items which he thinks up himself. News staff at the BBC were

outraged by a clause in Lewis's contract which allows him to write his own news if he feels the script for any particular show isn't good enough, or change any item of news which he thinks isn't good enough.

#### **ELEPHANTS**

Reporters and technicians are believed to have walked out recently after Lewis insisted on reading out a story about elephants which he had written during rehearsals.

## Beeb set to axe money mad Martin

An insider told us: "A lot of work goes into researching writing a news programme. On this oc-casion we had a busy schedule, with a lot of items about the Gulf Crisis to include. Suddenly Lewis announced that he had written a story about elephants, and said he wanted it as the main feature

#### RESIGN

The story was all about how African elephants have bigger ears than Indian elephants. It lasted about 6 minutes." It was only when chief news reporter Kate Adie threatened to resign that Lewis gave in and agreed to drop the story for the time being.

#### SPARKS

On another occasion sparks flew when Lewis insisted on reading the weather forecast. According to our insider he felt he could do a better job than John Kettley. In the end he agreed to allow Suzanne Charlton to read it, on the condition that she didn't make any mistakes.

#### SLADE

Falling viewing figures have raised grave financial worries, and bosses fear that the Nine O'Clock News could go bankrupt if Lewis continues to receive such incredible sums. And months of speculation will end later this month when BBC chiefs officially announce the axing of the show.



cash demands One bitter insider told us:

"Lewis has become a law unto himself. He's money mad, and far too big for his boots. He had to be stopped, and axing the news was the only way it could be done

#### COCKNEY REREI

Publicly news chiefs deny there is any rift, and blame falling viewing figures on attractive news readers like Zenab Budawi appearing on ITV. A spokesman told us:

"Generally speaking there is less news nowadays than in the past, and we are simply streamlining our news operations. There will still be regular news bulletins on BBC, and the programme at the weekend - the one with subtitles.



The Nine O'Clock News slot is expected to be filled by reruns of the popular vintage crime thriller series 'Department S' featuring Peter Wingard as Jason King.

tainer and 'Crackeriack' star Jeanette Krankie this week announced her All Time Cricket Test YI

And there are a few surprises in four footer Jeanette's final selection.

#### PACE

As expected she has concentrated on pace in her attack, with no less than 3 seam bowlers spearheaded by Australia's Dennis Lillee and 'body line' bowler Harold Larwood, Yet strangely there is no room for fiery Fred Trueman or former England captain Bob Willis, Derek Underwood's selection is Jeanette's sole concession to spin.

#### STROKE

The opening pair of Graham Gooch and John Edrich were chosen for their dependable no-nonsense stroke play, with Australian great Don Bradman at three.

#### THROB

In a strong middle order Jeanette picks Farouk Engineer ahead of Kent's Alan Knott, with Pakistan heartthrob Imran Khan in at seven.

#### SURPRISES

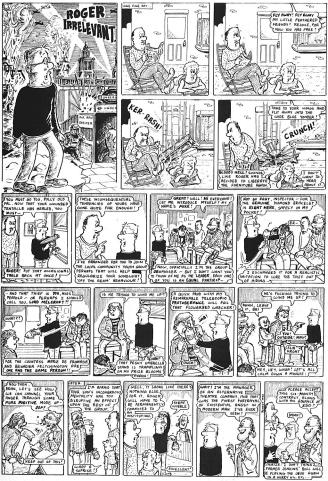
mong the few surprises is the omission of Dr W.G. Grace, perhaps the greatest cricketer of all time, who only scrapes in as twelfth man.

Jeanette's team lines up as follows: Gooch, Edrich, Bradman, Viv Richards, Bradman, Viv Richards, Engineer, Dennis Compton, Khan, Sir Richard Hadlee captain), Lillee, Larwood, Underwood and Grace.

#### CHIEFIXYCUNT YOUR HAIR







IN 1992 Britain is set to join the EEC. But how ready are we for this monumental move?

Recent inflammatory remarks made by one wellknown politican about our European neighbours have done little to smooth the way for our entry into the Common Market. Indeed, they have sparked accusations that some of us DON'T WANT to be part of United Europe.

How true is this? Have we got what it takes to be **TRUE** Europeans? Come 1992 will **YOU** be dashing though the Channel Tunnel ready to greet our new European partners with open arms? Or will you be staying at home singing 'Rule Britannia', still celebrating England's vic-tory in the 1966 World Cup Final? The answers to these 16 questions will reveal exactly how European you are. 1. You plan to go shopping

might you take to ensure that you find a parking space in town? Would you: a. Leave the house early to beat the rush and hopefully find a free parking meter. b. Leave whenever you're

in the morning. What steps

ready, and simply hope that a parking meter is available. c. Sneak into town at midnight and hang a beach towel on the best parking meter you can find.

2. You pop into C & A to buy a bra, but when you arrive at the cash desk you notice there is a large queue. What would you do?

a. Take your place in the queue and patiently wait to be served.

b. Put the bra back on the shelf and return later when the queue has died down. c. Barge directly to the front of the queue and shout "Ich leber stomph das bustenholten!"

3. You are driving along the road when a car pulls out in front of you causing you to brake sharply. How would you react? a. Drive on, perhaps tutting

quietly to yourself. b. Beep your horn at the offending motorist to let him

know you're annoyed. c. Screech to a halt diagonally across the front of the other car, leap out and bang your fists repeatedly on his bonnet. shouting: "Bastardo! Bas-tardo! Mamma mia!

Bastardo!!"

4. You are walking along the pavement when a rather attracive woman passes by. What would you do?

a. Look away modestly, and perhaps blush a little. b. Smile and maybe say

c. Smear a tub of Brylcream all over your head, pinch her backside then proceed to follow her around for half an hour, together with twenty of your mates, all riding on pathetic little scooters. making a variety of crude advances and suggestive remarks.

5. You're busy at work when suddenly you realise it's 12





on working till you've finished what you're doing. c. Sit down under a tree and go to sleep for six hours.

6. You're holidaving on the beach when you see a rather old and weary looking donkey giving rides to children. What do you do? a. Pay no attention. It's a fairly common sight.

b. Pat the donkey on the head and offer it a sugar lump. c. Goad it with a sharp stick. then get 100 of your friends to jump up and down on its back until it falls over and dies. Then go to sleep for six hours.

7. You wake up in the middle of the night feeling a bit peckish. What do you do? a. Roll over and go back to sleep. b. Pop down to the kitchen for

a cup of tea and a biscuit. c. Phone twenty of your friends and invite them to come round and spend the next five hours eating snails. frogs, onions and garlic, smoking 'Gittannes' and drinking 48 litres of wine.

8. You arrive for work in the morning. What is the first thing you do?

c. Spend three hours shaking hands with your colleagues.

hugging them and kissing them on both cheeks as through you haven't seen them for twenty years. 9. Your car is stuck behind a

large, slow moving lorry which happens to be carrying live sheep. What would you do? a. Slow down and wait patien-

tly until a safe overtaking opportunity arises.

b. Immediately overtake the lorry at high speed and hope nothing is coming in the opposite direction. c. Overtake the lorry, set a

road block to stop it, smash the cab windows and then set fire to all the sheep.

10. There's a parliamentary election taking place in your constituency. On polling day who would you vote for a. A middle of the road candidate with moderate views on

most issues. b. A mainstream left or right wing politician. A socialist or

a conservative perhaps. c. A four foot tall, obviously mad, one bollocked Nazi dictator who shouts a lot and has a stupid little 'tooth brush'

moustache.



# PEAN?

11. You admire your next door neighbour's lawn which is particularly well kept. Which of the following would you do?

 A. Nothing. You'd be quite happy with your own patchy area of grass.
 Ask for his advice to enable

b. Ask for his advice to enable your lawn to look as good as his.

c. After promising him that you won't, move your garden fence onto his land making his lawn part of your garden. And if he complains, shoot him.

12. You are walking down the street when you see an old lady being mugged by two youths. How do you react? Would you: a. Wade in without a thought

for your personal safety and try to fight the youths off, b. Run to the nearest telephone to call the police.

c. Ignore the fracas completely, wave a white flag above your head, then run and hide in your underground nuclear bomb proof bank vault and try to work out how much money you've got.

13. Your local football team has won a game. How would you celebrate? Would you: a. Go out and have a few drinks with friends. b. Just stay at home. You

aren't too bothered about football. c. Drive round in circles in a

stupid little Fiat car with six people on the roof, waving your hands out of the window and honking the bloody horn all night.

14. You are playing football. At half time it suddenly dawns on you that your team is losing heavily. What action would you take? a. Encourage your team to do better. and make more effort

in the second half.
b. Just go out and enjoy the second half. After all, it's only

a game.
c. Hang the captain of your team from a nearby lamp post, then go out and change sides, joining the winning team for the second half.

15. It's Saturday morning, the lawn needs a trim and the car could do with a wash. So what would you do?

a. Get up bright and early, get both jobs done, then go to a football match in the after-

noon.

b. Have a lazy lie in, get up at eleven and try to do at least one of the jobs during the afternoon.

c. Buy a big box of Belgian biscuits and sit on your fat arse all day eating them.

16. It's Sunday evening, there's nothing on telly and you're bored. What would you do to pass the time? a. Go down to the local pub, have a few beers and a singsong with your pals, and perhaps buy a curry on the way

home.
b. Rent a video, buy a few
cans of beer and invite some
friends round for a party.
c. Go out in your Volvo to buy

c. Go out in your Volvo to buy some hard core pornographic magazines from the local chemists, then go home and have a wank listening to Abba records. Then kill yourself cos its Monday tomorrow.

## How did you do?

Tot up your final score by awarding yourself 1 point for each answer **a**, 2 points for a **b**, and 3 for a **c**.

47 or less - You're so typically British. Obstinate. old fashioned and reluctant to change. You view all foreigners as inferior beings. Basically you're a racist. You're obsessed with past history, things like the war. which happened many years ago, and wasn't really Germany's fault anyway. You refuse to move with the times, and come 1992 you'll be well on the way to extinction, just like the dinosaurs. 48 - Well done. You're a true European, prepared to broaden your horizons, make new friends and co-operate fully in the formation of a new Europe.

The future of Britain, Europe and indeed the

whole world lies at your

# DONG! 'Big Ben' goes starkers Pinko commie conic

Pinko commie comic Ben Elton will be left red faced after being seen in the pink in a red hot blue movie soon to be released.

#### IDEO

Green funny man Ben, 27, will be purple with rage when a black market video featuring the TV funny man and best selling novelist STARKERS goes on sale next month.

#### During the hard core XXX

rated film shocked fans will see Elton: \* BONKING with a bevvy

of blonde beauties.

\* ROMPING with a roomful of randy redheads.

\* FIDDLING with his parts until they go off.

#### SIZZLING

The sizzling on-screen sex romp was filmed in 1974 in a hotel bedroom in Hart-lepool. At the time Ben, 28, was struggling to earn a living as a comic on the gritty northern club circuit. We believe he was paid £5 to perform lurid, steamy sex acts on camera.

#### DEVASTATED

A source close to the comic told us that Elton was "devastated" by news of the movie's pending release. Ben was absolutely gutted when he first heard that this film has surfaced after all this time. All the hard work he's put in over the last few years could be ruined by one small mistake he made in the distant past. Everyone makes mistakes, and Ben bitterly regrets making this movie. He had hoped that this episode was all behind

#### BLACKADDER

Elton, a multi-millionaire several times over, commands fees of several thousand pounds for live appearances, and has drum-



red hot porno f

med up extra millions writing TV's 'Blackadder'. But now he is fighting to save his career, and has threatened to sue film distributors Videowank (Amsterdam) Ltd. if copies of the movie go on sale.

#### IWEED

The video was set for release next month, but this may be delayed while legal wrangling goes on. And if Elton's lawyers are successful, copies of the video will have to be destroyed.

#### CORDUROY

However, we are giving awy EKCLUSIVE copies of the cassette FREE to the first 5,000 readers who can answer this simple Ben and the state of the first 5,000 readers who can to do is tell us the name of Ben's best selling book 'Stark'. Pop your answer in an envelope together with £300 cash, and send it to Ben Ellon Starik Sec Ben Ellon Starik Sec Tompetition, Viz. P.O. Box IPT. Newcastle upon Tyne, NE99 IPT.









































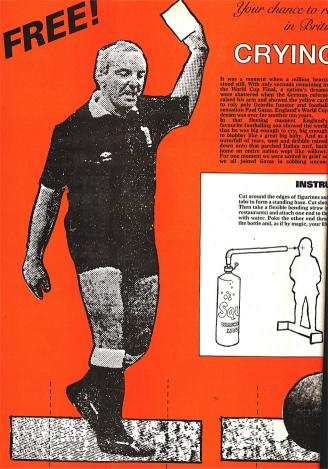




































## <u>PLINK...PLINK...*FIZZ!*</u>

Leading scientists are set to examine a miracle new source of fuel that could be set to power our cars in centuries to come.

And the revolutionary new

fuel, unveiled by a Tayside man earlier this week, contains **NONE** of the harmful pollutants found in petrol and diesel fuels.

#### SHORTAGES

Taxi driver Murdo McGee, 58, claims he came up with the solution to the world's growing fuel shortages after years spent driving his lorry around the UK's overcrowded and polluted roads and motorways.

#### **PROPERTIES**

"I realised that what was needed was something as cheap and as readily available as water, that would have the same combustive properties as petrol, but emit no toxic fumes," Mr. McGee told us. His solution is incredibly simple.

"What I propose is that chemical companies produce some sort of tablet, about the size of a paracetamol, which when dropped into water turns it into petrol. These would be called Petromol."

#### POLLUTION

As well as providing a limitless amount of free fuel, Petromol' tablets will also irradicate pollution. "As well as turning the water into petrol, another chemical could be included which gets rid of all the pollution," Mr. McGee explained.

## Murdo's miracle pill puts paid to petrol headache

"Surely, if we are able to put a man on the moon, it is not beyond the chemical manufacturers' abilities to come up with a simple tablet, pill or capsule that would turn water into petrol. They could be sold in shops or garages, and if they were small enough they could be kept in little plastic dispensers, like the ones 'Tic Tac' mints come in'.



Could pills looking not unlike these electronic circuit boards provide us with the fuel of the future?

Mr. McGee told us that if the tablets were larger, they could be individually wrapped in foil and sold in boxes, like 'Alka Seltzer'.

#### PUFF

Mr. McGee is at present working on a new invention – an aerosol spray, one puff of which will cure cancer.









































She did as







## 200 FOOT TESSIE'S A MONSTER DRAW We've all heard of the Loch Ness Monster.

But now tourists are being warned of another mystery monster said to lurk beneath Britain's inland waterways. In the West Midlands to be precise And the new underwater

'discovery' is bound to be every bit as controversial as its Scottish counterpart. BANQUET

#### The first sightings of 'Tipton

Tessie' were made by Hugo Guthrie and his wife Elaine as they travelled home from a banquet at Tipton Town Hall where Mr. Guthrie works as a local councillor. CANAL

"It was quite late at night, and my wife and I were just crossing the Staffordshire and Worcestershire Canal at Rowley Regis, just south of Tipton, when Elaine spotted a large, dark object moving slowly through the water."

#### **FLIPPERS** Mr. Guthrie stopped the car

and got a good look at the beast. "I'd say it was about 200 feet long, had four large flippers, and a long neck which rose out of the water. I wasn't sure, but it appeared to have several baby monsters swimming along beside it." 



Mrs. Guthrie jumped from the car and took several flash photographs of the animal. "Unfortunately inthe heat of the moment my wife forgot to remove the lens cap, and so the photographs are inconclusive. By this stage the monster had become aware of our presence, and slipped quietly out of sight beneath the waves.

#### SNORKEL

On subsequent visits to the site Mr. Guthrie has discovered more evidence to

By our West Midlands Correspondent

support his claims. "I found a large, wet footprint at the side of the A4101 at Brierley Hill, however it was a hot day and by the time I returned with my camera it had evaporated.'

#### AQUALUNG

Mr. Guthrie expects Tipton to be flooded with hordes of monster hunters as 'Tessie Mania' grips the West Midlands. And he believes that this is good news for the local economy. "I have already arranged for Tipton Tourist Information

Mr. Guthrie also announced that Tipton Chamber of Commerce will be awarding a splendid prize of a weekend in Tipton for two to anyone who captures the monster on film. Photographs should be sent

Mr. Guthrie vesterday

Office to print a com-memorative tea towel

featuring a painting of the

monster by my wife Elaine.

We expect the initial print

run of 50 tea towels to be

snapped up by collectors. In-

HEAVY HORSES

deed, the sky is the limit."

to Tipton Chamber of Commerce (Monster Photograph Holiday Weekend Competition), Tipton, West Midlands. Members of Tipton Chamber of Commerce. their friends and relatives are not eligible to enter. 





# S A FIXE

Britain's most popular TV quiz show - watched by an estimated 25 million viewers - has been exposed as a FIX.

Long-running BBC2 smash hit show 'Call My Bluff' has been discredited by shock revelations of: \* CHEATING by well-

known celebrities. \* BRIBERY by show's producers. \* THREATS made against competing panel-

\* and MURDER.

Sacked studio cleaner Doris Tudstall decided to blow the lid off the biggest scandal in TV history after she was



sacked for smoking in the production booth.

"Every week Robert Robinson showed the contestants the answers, then went to





Gordon - tears



win. On one occasion he £15.000. And on another occasion he won ten times that amount."

## HANNAH

the local bookies and placed

bets on which team would

Doris also told us how team captain Frank Muir regularly threatened opponents, once telling Hannah Gordon she would "end up face down in the river" if she got any questions right.

"Miss Gordon left the studio

#### in tears," said Doris. BARBERA

Muir is also alleged to have thrown a brick through the windscreen of a car belonging to 'Coffee Ad. King' Gareth Hunt after the former New Avengers star had correctly identified 'winnit'

as being a noxious piece of

faecal matter adhering to a

sheep's arse.

# TOP POP MOP-TOP POT SHOT

# PLOT FLOPS!

Pop superstar Paul McCartney may have more money than anyone else in the world, but he also has more enemies. That is the astonishing truth revealed for the first

time in a sizzling new book published this month. Writer Keith Twatt has

spent 20 years researching his biography of the multimillionaire ex-Beatle. In that time he has spoken to several of McCartney's former friends, and a man who once met him in the pub.

#### AFRAID

And as a result he believes he has unearthed the TRUE STORY about McCartney, a story that previous biographies have been afraid to

#### HATED

And here, in these exclusive extracts from his book, Keith spills the beans on Britain's most hated pop

McCartney's rise to fame and fortune has been real rags to riches stuff. From his childhood spent playing barefoot in the backstreets of Manchester, to the jet setting lifestyle he enjoys

But along the way Paul's single mindedness, determination and tight arsedness have made him enemies. Among them his former colleagues in The Beatles.

#### BASTARD

It was Paul who finally broke up The Beatles. He had wanted to keep all the money, but the others wouldn't let him. So Paul said he was leaving. and formed Wings instead. The others never really forgave him for that. Lennon wrote several songs about him. The best one was called 'Paul's A Bastard', but it never appeared on any records

#### WIG

After the split in 1970 Paul still wasn't satisfied. He even tried disguising himself as Lennon, turning up at EMI Records in a wig and glasses trying to collect John's royalty cheques. He would stop at nothing to get money.

In the early seventies Wings repeated The Beatles' success, and once again the lolly was rolling in. But this time Paul was determined to keep the lot.

#### MINIMOOG

Originally he had asked Jools Holland out of Squeeze to join the band, to play the minimoog and do handclaps. But Holland wanted £12 a week to join Wings, so Paul got his wife Linda to do it instead, cos he didn't have to pay her.

#### KAZOO

Talk about tight arses. Paul really takes the biscuit. On one occasion Wings were recording the single 'Mull Of Kintyre' and Paul had hired several musicians to play the instruments on it.

#### STYLOPHONE

After a long day in the studio he turned round and told the trumpet player he wasn't happy with the trumpeting, and he wanted it all done again, but louder this time. The poor trumpeter had to stav behind after everyone else had gone home. Eventually he'd been blowing that hard he got dizzy and couldn't drive, so McCartney had to give him a lift home.

When they got to his house mean McCartney charged him £2.20 for the lift, plus 20p for carrying his trumpet to the boot. And the poor fellow had only been paid £1.80 for playing on the record!

#### DISGRUNTLED

McCartney's maltreatment of his fellow musicians eventually almost cost him his life when a disgruntled former member launched an ASSASSINATION attempt on the former mon topped star.

## Macca attacker aimed to MURDER tight arse **MCCartnev**

'Mull Of Kintyre' had been at number one for a whole year and McCartney had pocketed all the loot. One particular member of the band wasn't happy about this, because he needed some money to buy a new pair of trousers. He asked Paul for £10, and was sacked on the spot.

#### TRIGGER

That night the person in question went out drinking, then bought a gun and crept into McCartney's house. As McCartney lay sleeping the bitter, booze soaked former band member pointed the gun at his head and pulled the trigger six times. It turned out that the gun had been loaded with blanks by mistake, and so McCartney, who slept through the entire incident, was unharmed.

#### SILVER

Together with his wife Linda, McCartney has made enemies outside of the music business, due to his strong views on animals that he has got. The couple are both vegetarians, Linda refusing even to eat fish fingers. Much of the stars' time and money is spent campaigning for animal rights.

Indeed the couple have spent



paign to prevent cruelty to goldfish. In one day alone at Nottingham Goose Fair Paul and Linda spent £184,000 on the coconut shy, winning goldfish which they then released into the River Trent.

#### CHAMPION THE WONDER HORSE

Next week: The daughter of the lollipop man who once helped Paul across the road to school reveals: 'Paul hasn't visited me in 25 years' Keith's book, 'Portrait of a Tight Arse', is available from most booksellers, published by Bollock Press, priced













## & Jimmy Hill's World of Birds' Nests and Cricket









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Walter and his band had been asked to put on a show at the local Special School for Colourblind Children.











50 WHY WOULD ANYONE

WANT TO EVICT THEM?







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20 THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW ABOUT



Wood you believe it! Wood is back with a bang. There was a time when everything was wooden. Houses, wardrobes, shoes (in Holland) and strips on the side of certain motor cars. But in recent years the price of wood has sawed, and manufacturers have turned to other materials, such as plastic and tupperware, for making things out of.

But now wood is making a comeback, with wooden doors, drawers and cupboards more popular today than at any time in the past. Probably. But what exactly is wood?

But what exactly is wood? What are the facts about this fibrous, knotty substance we see all around us? Here are twenty things you never knew about wood.

Money doesn't grow on trees, or so the saying goes. But wood does! Believe it or not a tree is nothing more than a giant flower, made out of wood. And with leaves on it.

Saying 'you can't see the wood for the trees' is like saying 'you can't see the school for the fish'. That's because a group of trees IS a wood!

As indeed a group of rhinocerouses is a crash'.

As indeed as well a group of gorillas is a 'flange'.

Cave man first discovered wood's potential as a manufacturing material, making crude wooden clubs to hit dinosaurs with.

The Queen Mother's teeth, originally a wedding gift from Sir Henry Moore to King George VI, are made entirely out of wood.

Many of today's top pop stars take their names from wood. For example Ronnie Wood. And Phil Oakey.

And so do many sports stars, like tennis player Arthur Ashe, and cricketer Derek Underwood.

8 We've just thought of another good one for 6. Courtney Pine.

The word 'wood' can be used twice in one sentence. For example. "Wood you pass me the wood please, Woody (out of the Bay City Rollers)". In fact that's three.



10) You might expect a bread board to be made out of bread. But you'd be disappointed. It is in fact a round, flat board for cutting bread on, made out of wood.

Similarly a cheese board is not made of cheese. But it's not necessarily made out of wood either. We know someone

who's got one made of mar-

Mind you, they're usually made of wood.

The Gas Board is definitely not made out of wood. Rather, it is an administrative body responsible for the sale and distribution of domestic and commercial gas supplies.



It may not look appetising to us, but wood is eaten and enjoyed by many animals, among them beavers, whose revolving 'saw-like' teeth can fell six trees in a minute.

Some animals don't eat wood, but are actually made out of it. For example the Wooden Horse of Troy, a large wooden horse, in Troy. And woodworms,



A wooden cupboard with shoes in it

A wooden table and chair

small worms made out of wood.

A' clothes horse' is nor, as you might expect, another type of horse, made out of clothes. It is in fact an indoor washing line sort of thing... made out of wood!

And a 'saw horse' is not a horse made out of saws. In fact it's not a horse at all. But it is made out of wood.

A 'horse fly' isn't a horse either. It's a fly that eats horses! (But that isn't made out of wood.)



